SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH :—" అయ్యా, ఈ స్కీముల విషయములో ఎస్టిమేట్లలో ఒకదాన్ని హెచ్చించి, ఇంకొకదాన్ని తగ్గించి, ఆయా స్కీములను పలుమారు పరిశీలించేటప్పుడు ఎస్టిమేట్లను ప్రతిమారూ పెంచుతూ సరియైన ప్రతిఫలం రాదని స్కీమును మానివేయడం ప్రభుత్వం విధానమా ?"

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" వెనుక 1927 వ సంవత్సరంలో పరిశీలించినపుడు స్కీముకు మూడు లక్షల రూపాయలుకు ఎస్టిమేటు వేయబడింది. 1949 వ సంవత్సరం ఎస్టిమేటు సహజంగానే ఏడు లక్షల రూపాయలవరకూ హెచ్చింది. ఎస్టిమేటు ఎక్కువ అయిందనే కారణంతో స్కీమును మానివేయడం ప్రభుత్వం పద్ధతి కాదు."

SRI V. V. RAMASAMI :—" Sir, the question was put in Telugu and the answer was also given in Telugu. Many of the Members did not understand them nor did many of the Hon. Ministers. How could supplementary questions be put and answered in Telugu? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The Chair is in the same position."

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—" Do the Government realize that, if the criterion that irrigation works must yield a certain return if they are to be taken up is applied to the famine-affected areas—I am not referring to areas where there is famine to-day only but to areas where there is perpetual famine—it will mean that they will never be able to eradicate famine from those areas? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" I may inform the hon. Gentleman that there is no criterion of a fixed percentage of return for taking up irrigation projects in famine-affected areas."

Relief to weavers weaving higher counts of yarn.

* 61 Q.—SRI P. NARASIMHA REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the scheme of contemplated relief (which the Governor mentioned in his Address, dated 6th May 1952 to the State Legislature(to the handloom weavers applies only to the weavers weaving the lower counts of yarn; and

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to extend it to the weavers weaving higher counts, i.e., 60, 80 and 100 counts, who are equally suffering?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (a) No.

" (b) Does not arise."

SRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH :—" Sir, since the wage of six annas fixed under the relief scheme is a starvation wage and since the 40 knots of yarn proposed to be supplied in a month per loom will fetch only Rs. 15 for four people depending on the loom, will the Government consider the suggestion to increase the wage level to eight annas per knot and supply 80 knots of yarn in a month to a loom? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" May I ask, Sir, how this is a supplementary question on the main question? "

SRI V. V. RAMASAMI :—" Sir, the answer to clause (a) was 'No' and the answer to clause (b) was 'Does not arise'. I do not exactly understand whether the Government propose to say 'No' to the second clause of the question."

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I am sorry, Sir, if I was not clear. The idea of the Government is not to limit the beneficial scheme to those weaving counts of 40 and below only. Therefore, the answer to clause (b) is that it shall also apply to those cases where weavers weave higher counts like 60, 80 and 100."

Reforms in the Jails.

* 62 Q.—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state whether the Government are considering reforms in the jails including reform of the dress to be worn by the inmates?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" Yes."

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" Will the Hon. Minister give us details about the reforms that he has in view ?"

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" It is not possible for me to do so since it covers about 500 pages of printed matter."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" Will the Government supply us with copies of those proposals before they put them into effect ? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I will consider that suggestion."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" Will the Hon. Minister at least explain to us the reforms which he proposes to introduce ? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" It will take about an hour if I were to explain them."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" The Hon Minister can explain one or two important points."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member may put a separate question."

SRI T. N. VENKATASUBBA REDDI :—" Will the Hon. Minister tell us, in connection with the reforms proposed, whether the degrading conditions of the undertrial prisoners in sub-jails have been brought to the notice of the Government ? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I want notice of that question."

AN HON. MEMBER :—" May I know whether the undertrial prisoners for food offences are given separate treatment as compared with Communist undertrial prisoners ? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" That question does not arise out of the main question ? A separate question may be put."